

**City of Taylorsville
Planning Commission Work Session
Minutes
Tuesday – March 23, 2004 – 6:00 p.m.
2600 West Taylorsville Blvd., Room No. 140
Taylorsville, Utah 84118**

Attendance:

Planning Commission

Ted Pierce, Chairman
Angelo Calacino
Phil Hallstrom
Aimee Newton
Kristie Overson
Joan Ruston-Carlson
Excused: Dama Barbour

Community Development Staff

Mark McGrath, Director
Michael Maloy, City Planner, Dist 2
Dan Udall, City Planner Dist 3
Nick Norris, City Planner, Dist 1
Amber Westenskow, Intern Planner
Jean Gallegos, Secretary/Recorder

Public: Robert Smith, Jerry Rechtenbach, Dave Goddard, Harlan Christmas, Bob Bedont, Bruce Parker

WELCOME: Commissioner Pierce called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and explained the procedures to be followed this evening. This is a public hearing for the General Plan update.

WORK SESSION

Discussion regarding the update of the General Plan for the City of Taylorsville.

- Bob Bedont spoke in behalf of the General Plan Steering Committee and offered their philosophy in setting up the framework to begin working on this very important City document.
- Mark McGrath presented an overview of the process that will be forthcoming as far as future Committee meetings, neighborhood caucuses and future public hearings. He also briefly reviewed the Chapters of the Plan as far as have been completed. He advised one of Staff's goals for the new Plan is to make it more user-friendly and interesting. He advised that the draft as it stands right now will be placed on the web page for easier access to the citizens to gather their input.
- Bruce Parker (General Plan Consultant) said that one of the consultant's goals is to strengthen the sense of what Taylorsville is. Since the City is almost completely built out, a major focus will be on redevelopment and strengthening and upgrading the commercial base.
- The meeting was opened for discussion at this point: (Items discussed are not listed in any particular order).
 - Community Identity
 - Historic Preservation
 - Creating and installing City gateways
 - Possibly upgrading the City logo to more effectively project the desired image
 - Adding an aggressive program to plant more trees in the City
 - Establishing gathering places, i.e., plazas for community events
 - Working more within individual districts to give a unique flair and an individual name to each.
 - Looking at the possibility of annexing Kearns.
 - Some way to show civic pride in our baseball team successes
 - Establishing an "Estate Residential zone with 1/3 acre lot sizes
 - Creating a business park on the UDOT property

- Changing the name of the Family Center at MidValley to Family Center at Taylorsville
 - Changing low density along Redwood Road to mixed use.
 - Open discussion on transportation issues (including bus and Trax service)
 - Establishment of a complete trail system
 - A possible bike trail along the Canal Road
 - Improvements in existing parking and establishment of maintenance system run by the City.
 - Establishment of more “mini-parks”
 - Keep the General Plan Steering Committee active throughout the process, on through the implementation phase.
- Mr. McGrath expressed his appreciation for all the hard work put in by the Community Development Staff, the consultants and the General Plan Steering Committee members.

ADJOURNMENT: By motion of Commissioner Hallstrom, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Jean Gallegos, Secretary/Recorder
Planning Commission

Minutes are for information purposes only. This was a work session and no decisions were made.

